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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.



- 1. 5,040,764, issued August 20,1991, to Dubois for LOW FREQUENCY VIBRATION ABSORBER.
- 5,692,728, issued December 2, 1997, to Shiozawa for SUPPORTING DEVICE HAVING
 ELASTIC MEMBERS AND OSCILLATION MECHANISMS.
- 5,804,776, issued September 8, 1998, to Bizlewicz for VIBRATORY ENERGY DISSIPATION.

FOREIGN PATENTS

1. Japanese Patent 05–44774 (inventor and issue date unknown) for VIBRATION ISOLATION DEVICE, which discloses a device for improving the extent of natural frequency in a surface plate without entailing any increase in weight and volume of the surface plate and making high vibration isolation performance available by making the outer circumference of an object loading surface of the surface plate so as to have adjacent two sides not orthogonal.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialled by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account

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Respectfully submitted,

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